

## **CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

### **Claim Amendment Summary**

#### **Claims pending**

- Before this Amendment: Claims 1-31.
- After this Amendment: Claims 1-6, 10-15, 18-21, and 23-29.

**Canceled or Withdrawn claims:** Claims 7-9, 16-17, 22, and 30-31.

**Amended claims:** 1, 12-13, 18-19, 23-24, and 28.

**New claims:** None.

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**Claims:**

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method comprising:  
~~identifying a selected permission level associated with a child's access to a Web server;~~  
~~obtaining a relationship ticket from an authentication server;~~  
communicating a parental identity to an authentication server for verification;  
receiving a relationship ticket from the authentication server when the parental identity has been successfully verified, wherein the relationship ticket received from the authentication server is encrypted so that the relationship ticket cannot be decrypted by a client device which receives the relationship ticket, and wherein the relationship ticket includes the parental identity and identifies a child who's access to a Web server is to be limited;  
~~generating a request to set the selected permission level~~ establish a selected permission level for the child which will limit the child's access to the Web server;  
~~sending the request and the relationship ticket to the Web server for decryption of the relationship ticket, authentication of the parental identity, and establishment of the selected permission level for the child;~~ and  
receiving a success code from the Web server if the selected permission level is established for the child.

2. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 further including receiving a failure notification from the Web server if the selected permission level is not established.

3. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein sending the request to the Web server includes using an untrusted connection with the Web server.

4. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the request to the Web server is sent using an unsecure connection with the Web server.

5. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the relationship ticket is encrypted by the authentication server.

6. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the selected permission level is established if the relationship ticket is authenticated.

7. **(Canceled)**

8. **(Canceled)**

9. **(Canceled)**

**10. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the authentication server is a .NET Passport server.

**11. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein selecting a permission level associated with a child's usage of a web site is performed by a parent of the child.

**12. (Currently Amended)** One or more computer-readable memories including at least one tangible component, and containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 1.

**13. (Currently Amended)** A method comprising:

- ~~identifying a selected permission level associated with a child's access to a Web server;~~
- ~~obtaining a relationship ticket from an authentication server;~~
- communicating a employer identity to an authentication server for verification;
- receiving a relationship ticket from the authentication server when the employer identity has been successfully verified, wherein the relationship ticket received from the authentication server is encrypted so that the relationship ticket cannot be decrypted by a client device which receives the relationship ticket, and wherein the relationship ticket includes the employer identity and identifies an employee who's access to a Web server is to be limited;
- ~~generating a request to set the selected permission level~~ establish a selected permission level for the employee which will limit the employee's access to the Web server;
- ~~sending the request and the relationship ticket to the Web server for decryption of the relationship ticket, authentication of the employer identity, and establishment of the selected permission level for the employee;~~ and
- receiving a success code from the Web server if the selected permission level is established for the employee.

**14. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 13 wherein the relationship ticket is encrypted by the authentication server.

**15. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 13 wherein the relationship ticket is encrypted by the authentication server, and wherein the relationship ticket is decrypted by the Web server.

**16. (Canceled)**

**17. (Canceled)**

**18. (Currently Amended)** One or more computer-readable memories including at least one tangible component, and containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 13.

**19. (Currently Amended)** A method comprising:

identifying a modified permission level associated with a user's access to a Web service;

~~obtaining an encrypted relationship ticket from an authentication server~~ receiving a relationship ticket from an authentication server when a manager's identity has been successfully verified, wherein the relationship ticket received from the authentication server is encrypted so that the relationship ticket cannot be decrypted by a client device which receives the relationship ticket, and wherein the relationship ticket includes the manager's identity and identifies a user who's access to a Web service is to be modified;

~~generating a request to modify the selected permission level associated with the user's access to the Web service~~ a selected permission level for the user which controls the user's access to the Web service;

~~sending the request and the encrypted relationship ticket to the Web service via an unsecure connection~~ for decryption of the relationship ticket, authentication of the manager's identity, and modification of the selected permission level for the user; and

receiving a success code from the Web service if the modified permission level is established for the user.

**20. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 19 further comprising receiving a failure notification from the Web service if the modified permission level is not established.

**21. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 19 wherein the modified permission level is established if the encrypted relationship ticket is authenticated by the Web service.

**22. (Canceled)**

**23. (Currently Amended)** One or more computer-readable memories including at least one tangible component, and containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 19.

**24. (Currently Amended)** An apparatus comprising:  
an interface to receive requests to establish Web access permissions and relationship tickets via an unsecure communication link, wherein the relationship ticket received is encrypted and includes information regarding a manager identity and information regarding an identity if an associate who's Web access permissions are to be controlled;

a storage device to store manager-associate relationship information for use in authenticating the manager identity; and

a processor coupled to the interface and the storage device, the processor to receive ~~a relationship~~ the relationship ticket from a client device and decrypt the relationship ticket, the processor further to authenticate the relationship ticket and establish the requested Web access permissions if the relationship ticket is authenticated.



**25. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 24 wherein the processor is further to generate a success code if the relationship ticket is authenticated.

**26. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 24 wherein the processor is further to generate a failure notification if the relationship ticket is not authenticated.

**27. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 24 wherein the storage device further stores Web access permission information.

**28. (Currently Amended)** One or more computer-readable media including at least one tangible component, and having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to:

select a permission level associated with an associate's access to a Web server;

obtain a relationship ticket from an authentication server, wherein the relationship ticket obtained from the authentication server is encrypted and includes information regarding a manager's identity and information regarding an identity of an associate who's access to the Web server is to be limited;

generate a request to ~~set the selected permission level~~ establish a selected permission level for the associate which will limit the associate's access to the Web server;

send the request and the relationship ticket to the Web server via an unsecure communication link for decryption of the relationship ticket, authentication of the manager's identity, and establishment of the selected permission level for the associate; and

receive a success code from the Web server if the requested permission level is established for the associate.

**29. (Original)** One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 28 wherein the relationship ticket is encrypted by the authentication server and decrypted by the Web server.

**30. (Canceled)**

**31. (Canceled)**